Maine Trails Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes

November 15, 2017 – 9:00 – 12:00, Maine Forest Service – Bolton Hill Conference Room

Invited: Tracy Willett, Bob Meyers, Chris Riley, Gary Marquis, Holly Sheehan, Tamara Whitmore, Charlie Woodworth, Chris Riley, Doug Beck, Eric Dibner, Burnham Martin, Lana LaPlant-Ellis, Rex Turner

Excused: Jed Talbot, Nancy Grant, Sara Knowles

Absent: Ed Coleman, Norm Poirier, Bill Williams, Patrick Adams

I. Call to order – by Chair Willette at 9am
II. Welcome
III. Funding Overview
   A. Doug provided an updated assessment of available funding for RTP and allocations per required program area (Motorized, Non-Motorized, Diverse, SEE and Administration – as attached)
IV. Subcommittee recommendations for funding
   A. Recommendations for each funding stream were provided for review
V. Discussion
   A. Most projects were straightforward related to merits and funding. One Diverse applicant scored well enough to be funded but there were questions about whether they had sufficient additional funds, given the scale of their project, to be viable. One SEE applicant was flagged given eligibility questions around the host community given LWCF compliance issues.
      1) Within one week of this meeting all eligibility and capacity questions were resolved favorably.
VI. MTAC Funding recommendations
   A. For SEE & Motorized: Holly moved, Tracy seconded to accept the recommendation of the subcommittee as presented. All in favor
   B. For Non-Motorized: Tracy moved, Charlie seconded to accept the recommendation of the subcommittee as presented. All in favor
   C. For Diverse: Holly moved, Bill seconded to accept the recommendation of the subcommittee as presented, with the exception of Coastal Mountain Land Trust. All in favor.
      1) (8 of 12 voted after the meeting via survey to fund the Coastal Mountain Land Trust project once funding availability for match was confirmed)
VII. Adjournment / Next Meeting
   A. Adjourned at 11:30am
   B. Next Meeting TBD – Late winter / early spring 2018